House Resolution No. 4078

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives realize that the rank of Eagle Scout is a performance-based achievement, the proud standards of which have been well maintained for many years; and

Whereas, Michael A. Richards of Smithville, Missouri, will receive the prestigious rank of Eagle Scout during a Court of Honor ceremony to be held on October 26, 2003, at Grace Community Church; and

Whereas, Michael, a member of Boy Scout Troop 412, successfully met the requirements to attain Eagle status by completing his Eagle project which involved constructing two rest areas on a horse trail next to Smithville Lake; and

Whereas, during his nine years in Scouting, Michael mastered several challenging and diverse skills to earn the Arrow of Light, thirty-three merit badges, the Fifty-Miler award, the Coup of the Far Traveler, Brotherhood membership in the Order of the Arrow, and the status of Brave in the Tribe of Mic-O-Say; and

Whereas, Michael demonstrated his capability and willingness to exert leadership by fulfilling the duties and responsibilities of Patrol Leader, Assistant Patrol Leader, Den Chief, Librarian, and Troop Guide; and

Whereas, the son of Dr. and Mrs. Larry M. Richards, Michael developed immense personal growth and fitness by participating in the many assorted activities the Boy Scouts offers, some of which include attending several Cub Scout Day Camps, four summer camps at H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation, and three Camporees; and going on a High Adventure canoe trip on the Current River; and

Whereas, Michael's attainment of the Eagle rank will be recognized at all levels of our society as being a great achievement that required considerable dedication and effort:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to Michael Richards for the steadfast determination he displayed in his pursuit to attain the rank of Eagle and in wishing him continued success in all future endeavors; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Eagle Scout Michael A. Richards.

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4078, adopted September 17, 2003.